

**OBVERSE/REVERSE DISCRIMINATIVE RECTANGULAR
NITRIDE SEMICONDUCTOR WAFER**

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 A mirror-polished obverse surface and a roughened reverse surface of the
conventional GaN wafers have been discriminated by difference of roughness on the surfaces
with human eyesight. The difference of the surfaces is rather ambiguous. Cracks/breaks
and distortion of the wafers have been likely to occur because the roughness of the reverse
surface is apt to bring fine particles.

10 To discern an obverse from a reverse without making use of the difference of the
surface roughness, the present invention provides an obverse/reverse discriminative
rectangular nitride semiconductor wafer having a longer slanting edge and a shorter slanting
edge at obversely-clockwise neighboring corners, or having an asymmetric slanting edge at a
corner, or having asymmetrically bevelled parts or having discriminating characters marked
by laser. The present invention can make the reverse surface mirror-polished and smooth, so
15 that particles on the reverse surface and distortion, cracks or breaks of the wafer decrease.